IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO. 719 OF 2006

Anandkumar Sadhuram Barnwal ...Applicant.

V/s

The State of Maharashtra ...Respondent.

Mr. V.V. Shetye for the applicant.

Ms. S.D. Shinde, APP for the State.

CORAM: V.M. KANADE, J.

DATE: 1st March, 2006

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1. Heard the learned Counsel for the applicant and the learned APP for the State.

2. The applicant was arrested in connection with an offence punishable under sections 467, 471, 474, 420, 120(B) read with section 34 read with the provisions of the Arms Act in C.R. No.54 of 2005. It is alleged that the gun licence which was procured by the applicant was bogus. The Nagaland Government on inquiry informed the respondents that no such permit had been issued by the Nagaland Government.

3. It is the case of the applicant that he is a victim of the said fraud which has been perpetuated by

some persons who had promised and had given him an assurance of obtaining licence. The applicant is working as a security guard and one of the conditions of his service is that if he has a gun licence, he would get an additional salary of Rs 1000/-. Even otherwise, the applicant is in jail since last three months. The applicant has fixed place of residence in Mumbai.

4. The applicant, therefore, under these circumstances, be released on bail in the sum of Rs 5000/- with one or two sureties in the like amount. He shall report to Crime Branch C.ID. Unit IV, Mumbai as and when called for.

V.M. KANADE, J.